## PATENT APPLICATION

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**CARBON NANOTUBES** 

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the Communication are not included in this Information Disclosure Statement because they have

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December 6, 2005, WO 00/69958 A1 was cited in an IDS filed on November 17, 2006, and JP-A-

2003-138040 was cited in an IDS filed on May 9, 2007,.

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